

**Status of the Claims:**

1. (Amended) A method for treating a cancer in a subject, comprising administering parenterally an effective dose of a chemotherapeutic agent in a mixture with an effective dose of a galactomannan to said subject in need thereof.
2. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the cancer is a tumor and the chemotherapeutic agent is adriamycin.
3. (Amended) A method according to claim 2 1, wherein the cancer is a tumor and the chemotherapeutic agent is 5-FU.
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6. (Original) A method according to claim <sup>1</sup>~~4~~, wherein the galactomannan has a molecular weight of 83,000 D.
7. (Original) A method according to claim <sup>1</sup>~~6~~, wherein the galactomannan has a molecular weight of 215,000 D.
8. (Original) A method according to claim 2, wherein the ratio of mannose to galactose is 1.13:1.
9. (Original) A method according to claim 3, wherein the ratio of mannose to galactose is 2.2:1.